

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES**

#### **Call to Order:**

**CHAIRWOMAN ARLENE BECKER**, on January 19, 2009 at 3:01 P.M.,  
in Room 152 Capitol.

#### **ROLL CALL**

#### **Members Present:**

Rep. Arlene Becker, Chairwoman (D)  
Rep. Mary Caferro, Vice Chairwoman (D)  
Rep. Pat Ingraham, Vice Chairwoman (R)  
Rep. Bill Beck (R)  
Rep. Timothy Furey (D)  
Rep. David Howard (R)  
Rep. Chuck Hunter (D)  
Rep. Michael More (R)  
Rep. Ken Peterson (R)  
Rep. Diane Sands (D)  
Rep. Cary Smith (R)  
Rep. Ron Stoker (R)  
Rep. Jeffery Welborn (R)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Julie French (D), Rep. Dave McAlpin (D),  
Rep. Pat Noonan (D)

**Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Present:** Santella Baglivo, Committee Secretary  
Sue O'Connell, Legislative Branch

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 214, 1/14/2009; HJ 5, 1/14/2009

Executive Action: None

**HEARING ON HB 214**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:00:51 Rep. Margaret MacDonald (D), HD 54, opened the hearing on HB 214, Revise medicaid eligibility for pregnant women.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:04:00 Linda Snedigar, Department of Public Health and Human Services

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:05:18 Rep. Stoker  
00:05:38 Ms. Snedigar  
00:05:54 Rep. Stoker  
00:06:02 Rep. Peterson  
00:06:33 Ms. Snedigar  
00:07:06 Rep. Peterson  
00:07:16 Ms. Snedigar

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:07:42 Rep. MacDonald

**HEARING ON HJ 5**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:08:49 Rep. Diane Sands (D), HD 95, opened the hearing on HJ 5, Support funding for health information technology.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:11:37 Mike Foster, Wheatland Memorial Hospital and  
Catholic Hospitals in Montana

**EXHIBIT(huh12a01)**

00:16:08 Kristen Juliar, Chairwoman of Health Share Montana  
Board of Directors

00:20:47 Dwight Hiesterman, Helena Physician, Member of  
Health Share Montana

00:25:19 Tanya Ask, New West Health Services

00:26:16 Chelsea Fagen, Montana Chamber of Commerce

00:27:08 Bill Roberts, Volunteer Lobbyist, AARP Montana

**EXHIBIT(huh12a02)**

00:31:17 Cliff Christian, American Heart Association and  
American Stroke Association

00:36:03 Jim Ahrens, American Cancer Society

00:37:31 Pat Melby, Montana Medical Association

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:38:44 Rep. Hunter  
00:39:45 Dr. Hiesterman  
00:42:41 Rep. Furey  
00:43:54 Chairman Becker  
00:44:11 Ms. Juliar  
00:46:05 Rep. Peterson  
00:46:40 Mr. Foster  
00:49:00 Rep. Peterson  
00:49:48 Mr. Foster  
00:51:01 Rep. Peterson  
00:51:12 Dr. Hiesterman  
00:55:23 Rep. Ingraham  
00:55:47 Rep. Sands  
00:56:07 Ms. Juliar  
00:56:57 Rep. Ingraham  
00:57:10 Ms. Juliar  
00:57:29 Rep. Sands  
00:57:53 Mr. Foster  
00:58:25 Rep. Stoker  
00:58:50 Mr. Foster  
00:59:15 Rep. Stoker  
00:59:35 Mr. Foster  
01:01:40 Rep. Stoker  
01:02:04 Mr. Foster

01:02:29 Rep. Stoker  
01:02:48 Mr. Foster  
01:03:01 Cleary Waldren, Health Share Montana  
01:03:26 Rep. Beck  
01:03:52 Mr. Foster  
01:04:13 Rep. Beck  
01:04:30 Mr. Foster  
01:05:22 Rep. Beck  
01:07:10 Mr. Foster  
01:08:55 Rep. Beck  
01:09:24 Mr. Foster  
01:09:39 Rep. Beck  
01:10:17 Mr. Foster  
01:10:43 Rep. Smith  
01:11:04 Mr. Waldren  
01:11:26 Rep. Welborn  
01:12:15 Dr. Hiesterman  
01:13:48 Rep. Ingraham  
01:14:22 Rep. Sands  
01:15:09 Rep. Ingraham  
01:15:20 Rep. Sands  
01:15:51 Rep. Peterson  
01:17:16 Mr. Foster  
01:19:17 Rep. Peterson

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:19:28 Rep. Sands

**Announcements:**

01:21:14 Chairman Becker

**ADJOURNMENT**

01:21:51 Adjournment: 4:22 P.M.

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SANTELLA BAGLIVO, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT ([huh12aad.pdf](#))**